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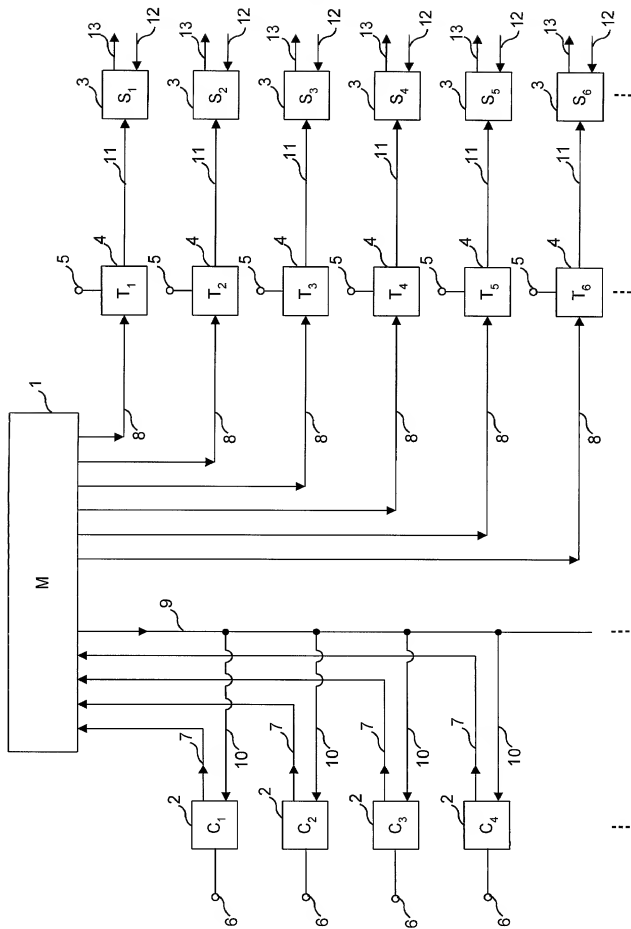


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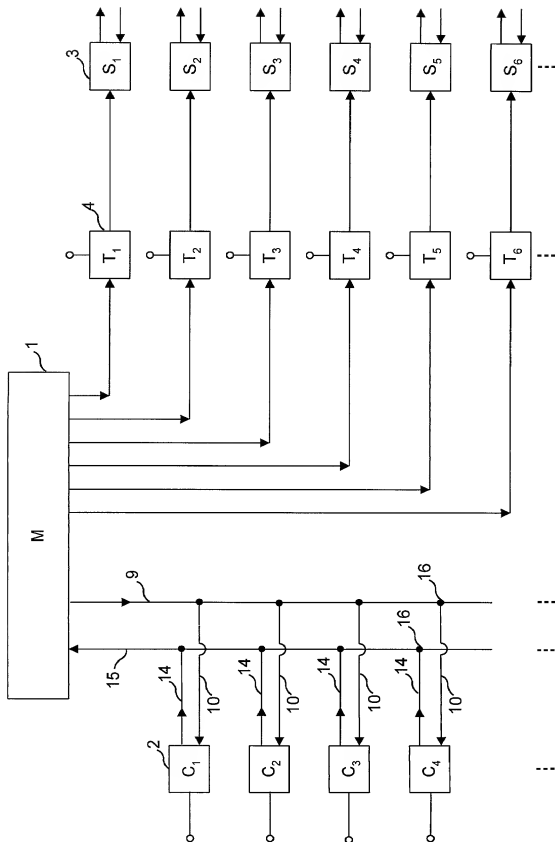


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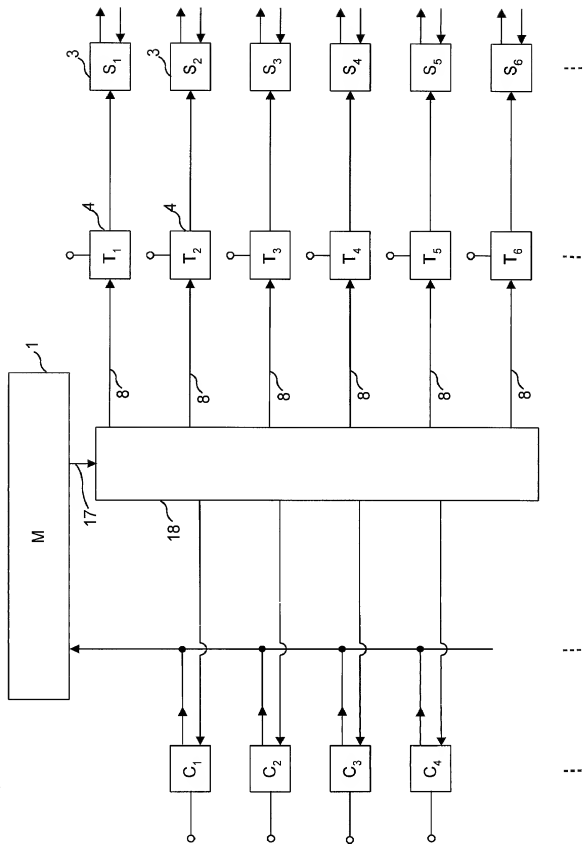


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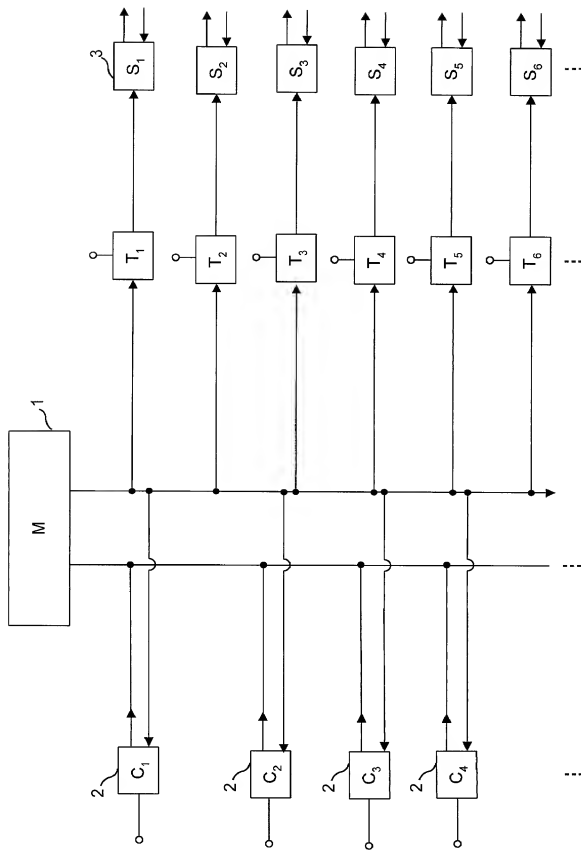


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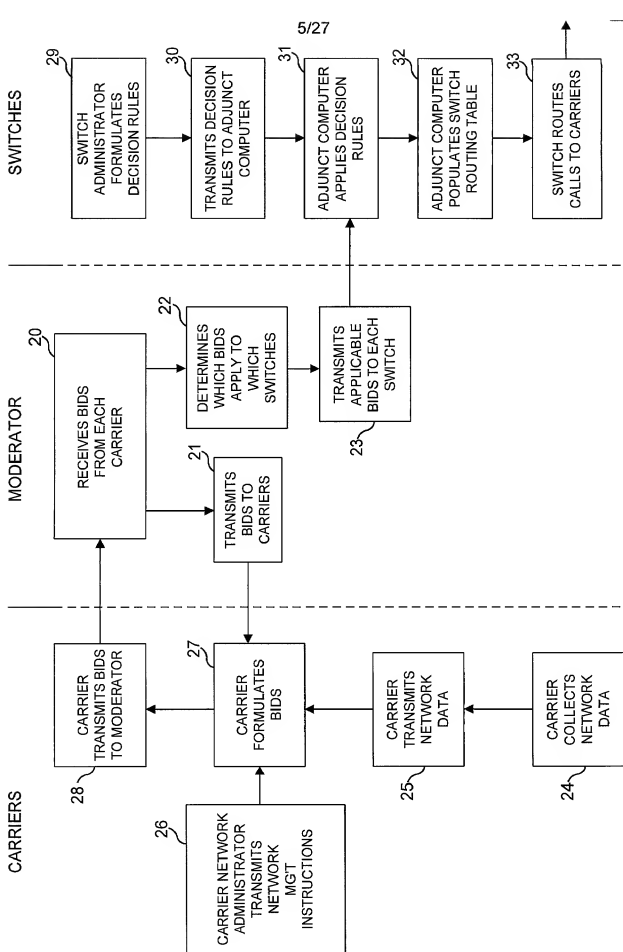




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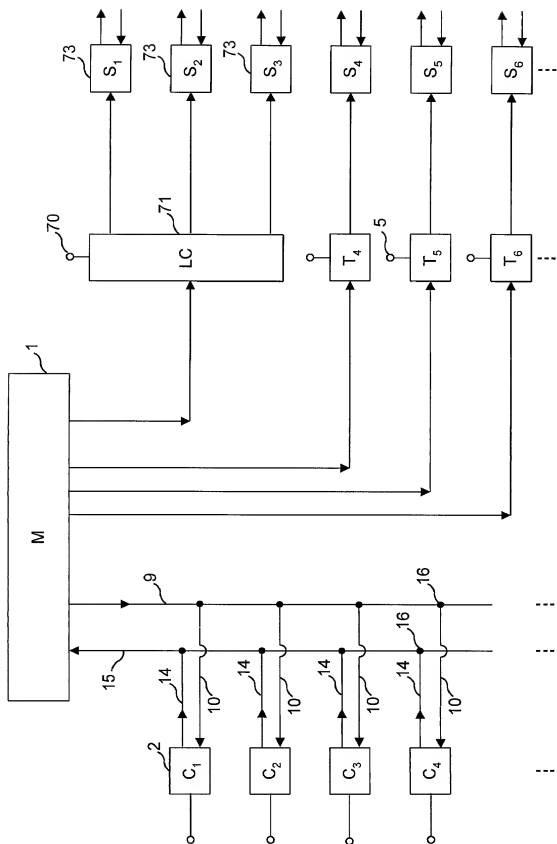


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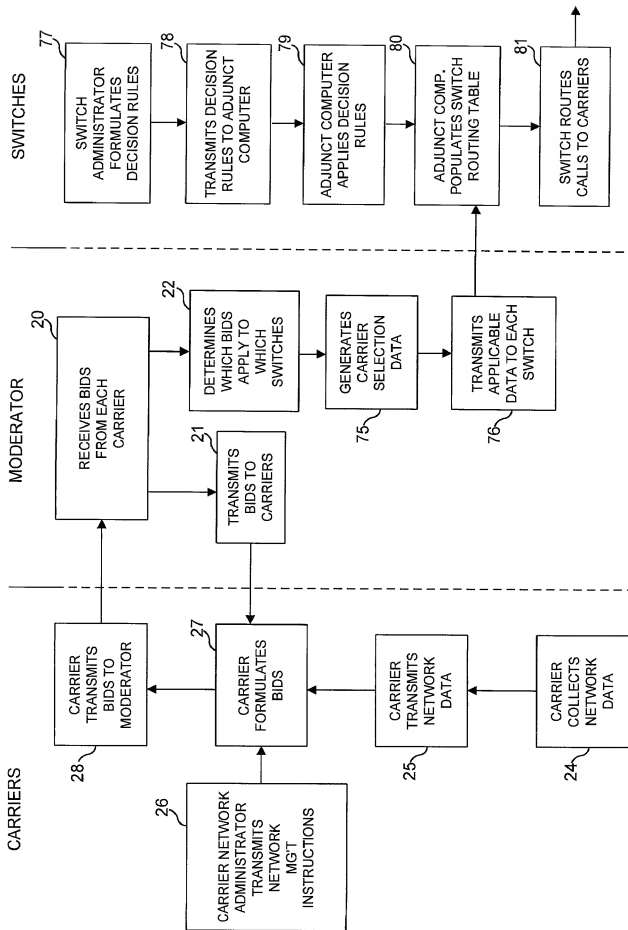




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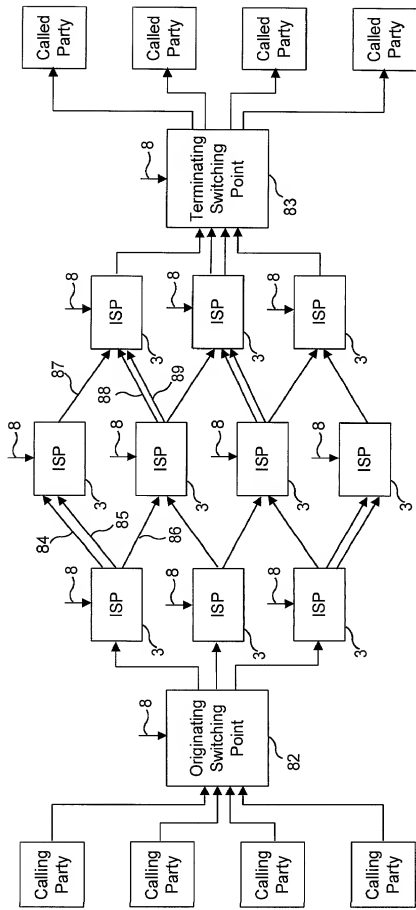


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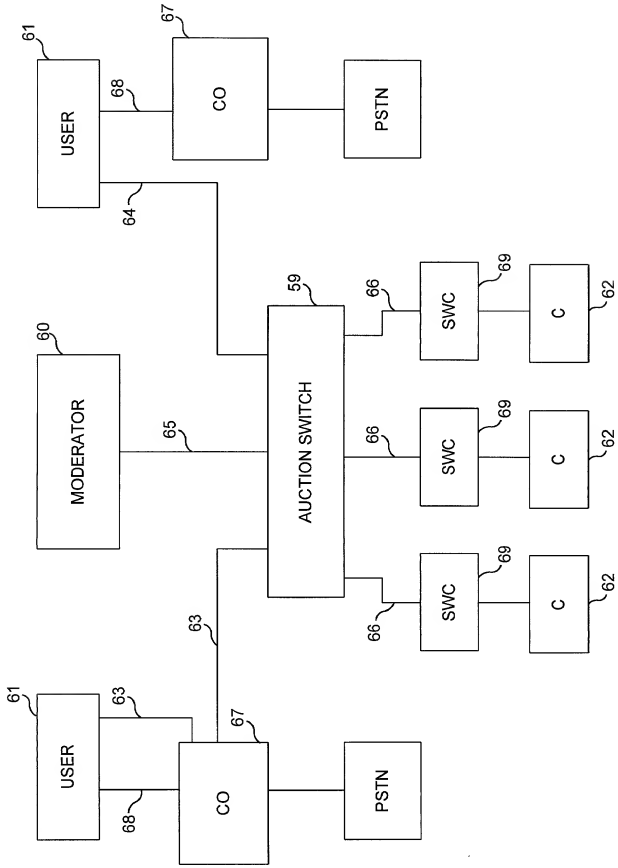


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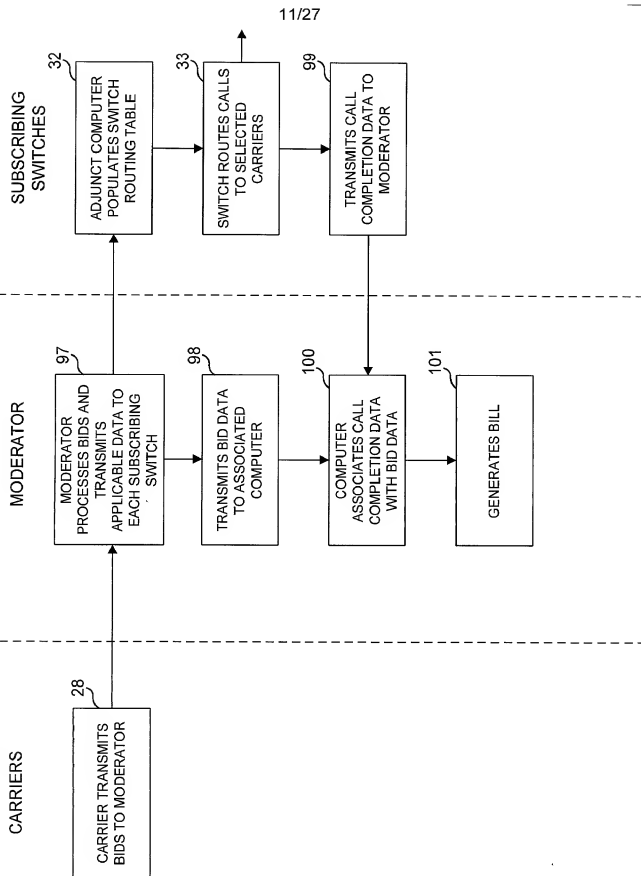


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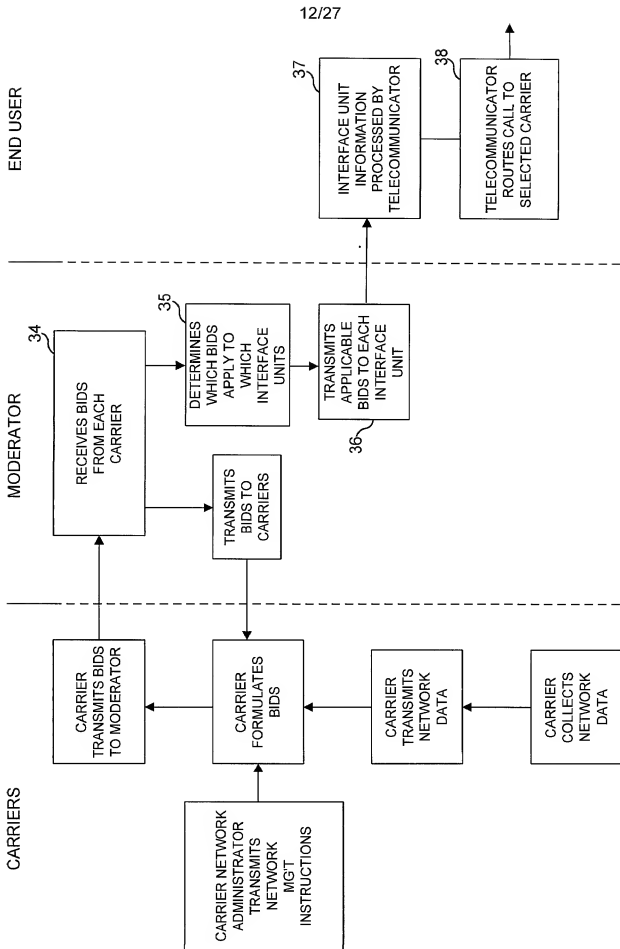


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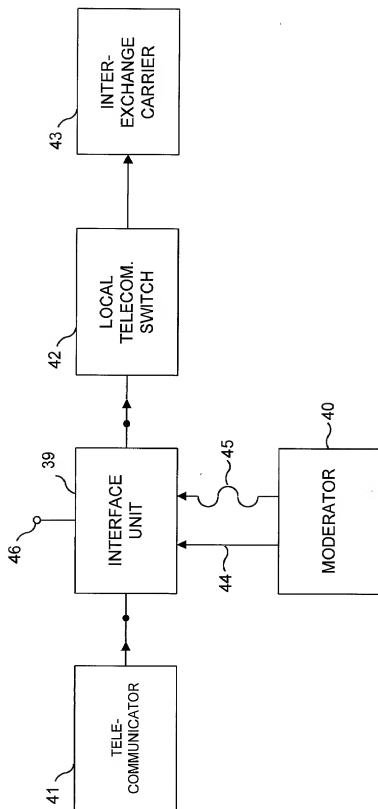


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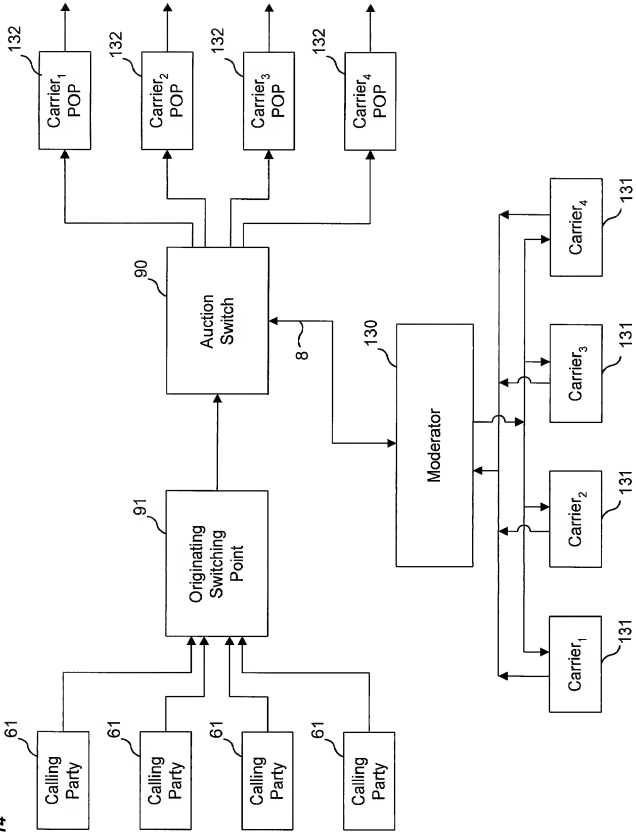


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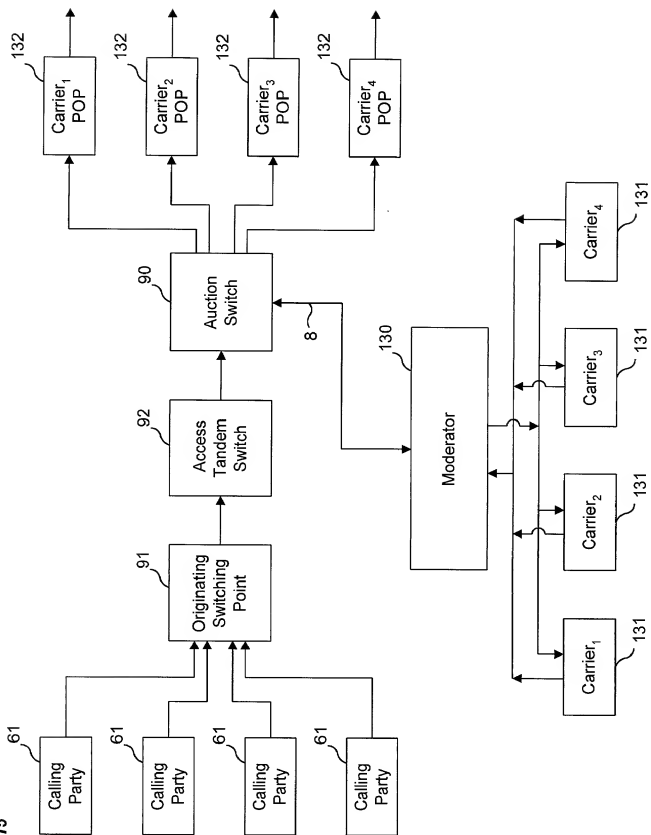


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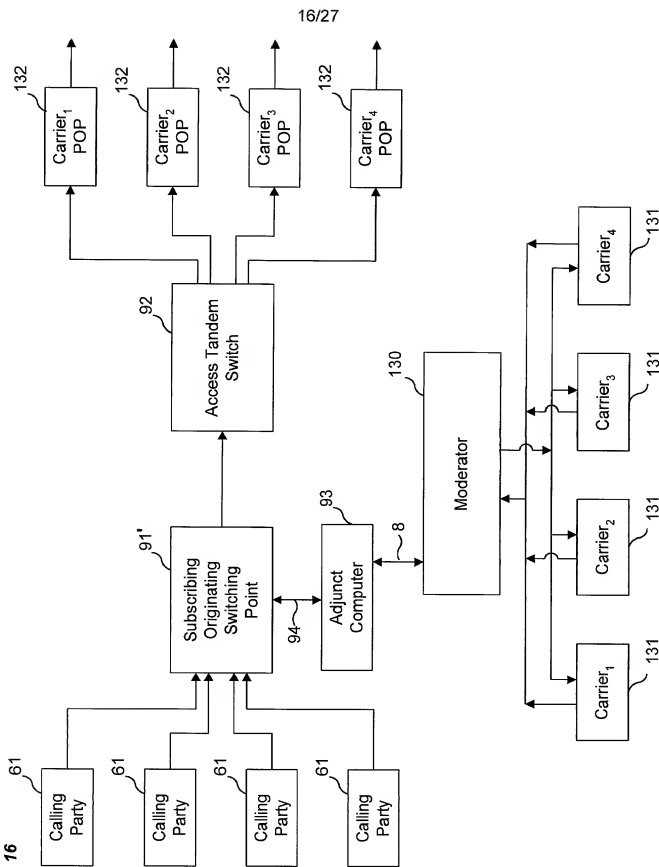




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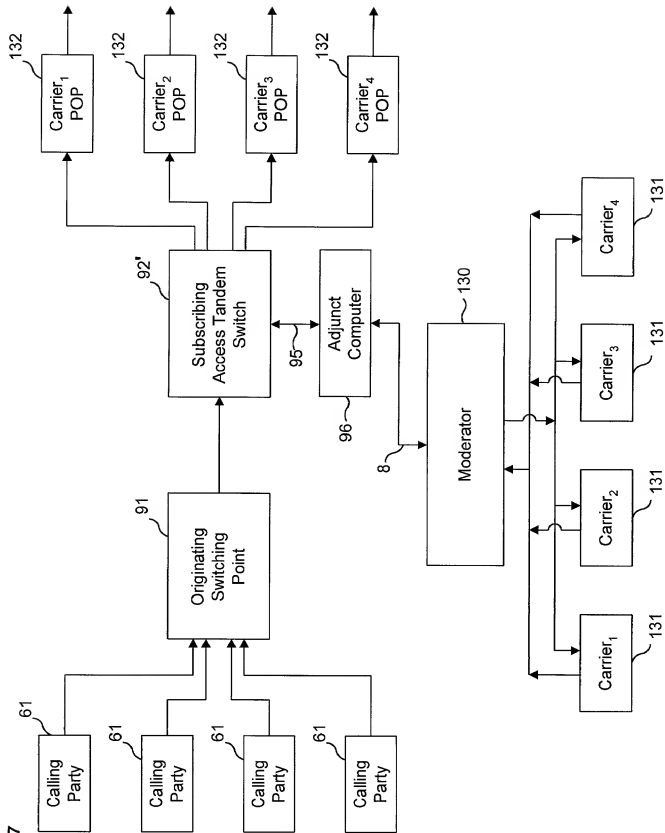


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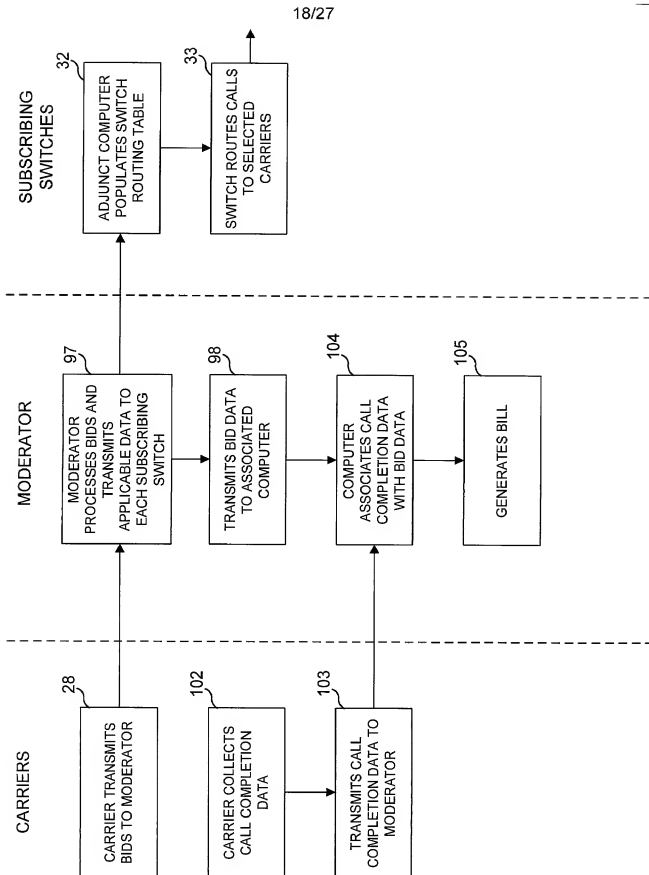


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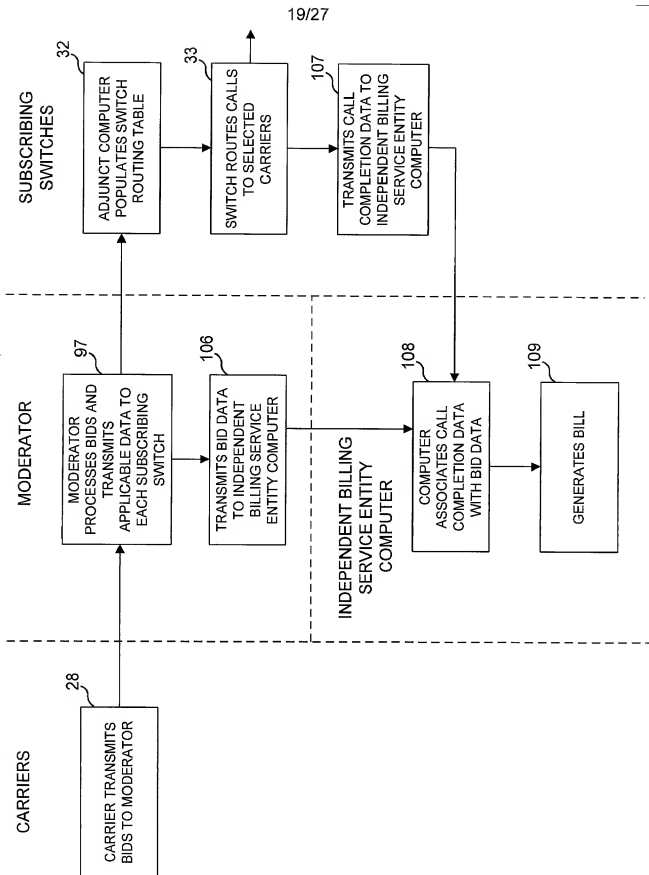


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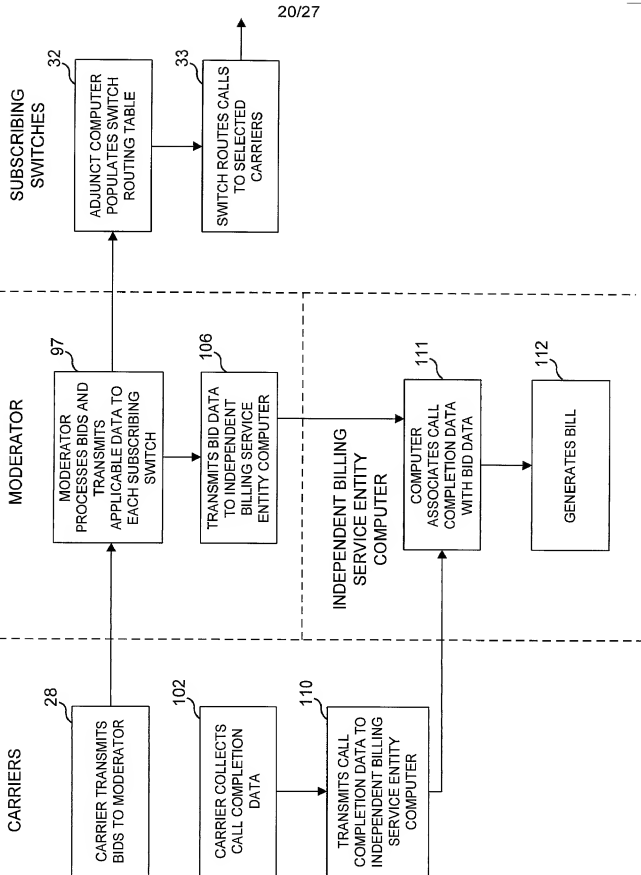


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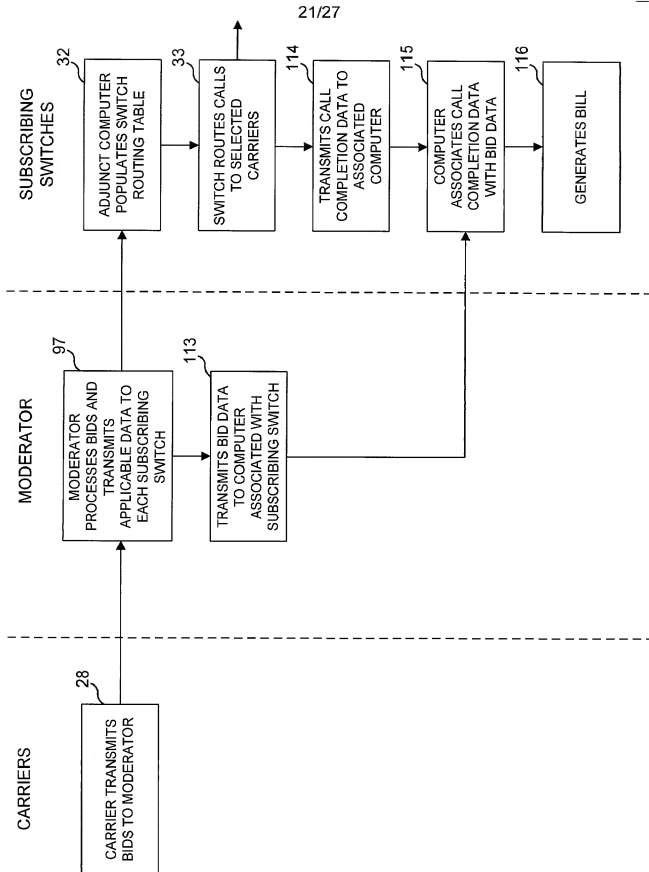


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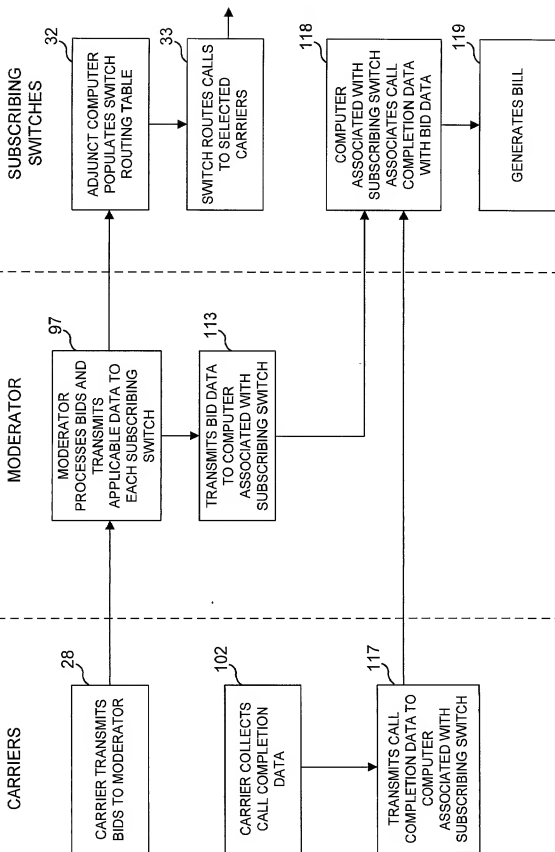


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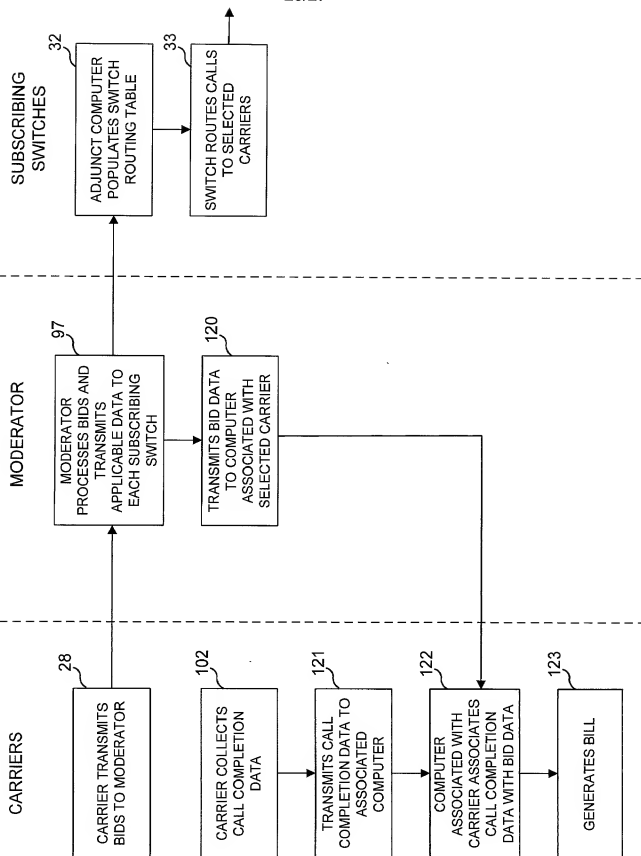


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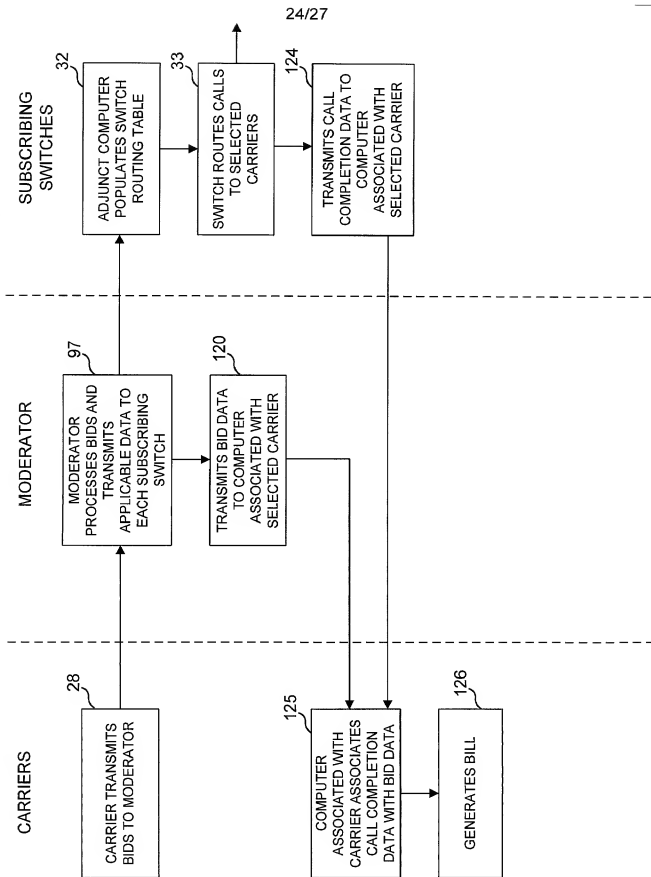




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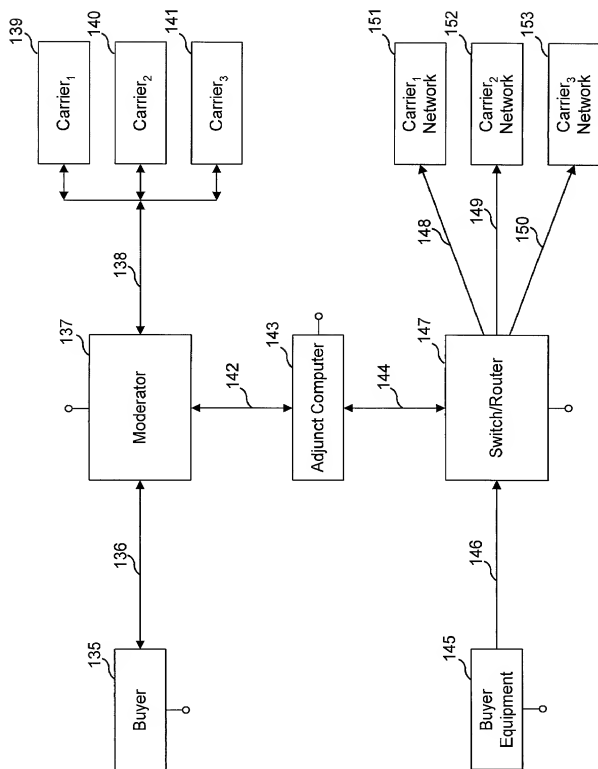


FIG. 26

**BUYER**

154  
Buyer formulates a request for service and transmits this RFS to Moderator. As part of RFS, or prior thereto, Buyer sends to Moderator a set of decision rules to be applied by Moderator to the Carrier selection process.

**MODERATOR**

155  
Moderator processes RFS and transmits RFS information to prospective Carriers (or posts same on website or computer bulletin board).

157  
Moderator processes RFS responses, applies Buyer's decision rules, generates Carrier selection data, and notifies Buyer and selected Carrier of outcome. Moderator also provides feedback of at least some bidding data to all Carriers who submit RFS responses and, perhaps, to Buyer.

160  
Buyer receives notification of Moderator's selection of winning Carrier and, perhaps, feedback of at least some bidding data.

**CARRIERS**

156  
Carriers receive Buyer's RFS information, formulate responses, and transmit their RFS responses to Moderator.

158  
Winning Carrier receives notification to that effect from Moderator.

159  
All Carriers who respond to Buyer's RFS receive feedback of at least some bidding data.

**SWITCH/ROUTER**

162  
Switch/Router processes routing table revisions from Moderator and routes Buyer's applicable traffic to selected Carrier at appropriate time.

161  
Moderator (or adjunct computer) transmits Carrier selection data to Switch/Router in order to reprogram its routing table to route Buyer's applicable traffic to selected Carrier's network at appropriate time.

